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TAGS: PDIP, SG, US
SUBJECT: DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO GOVERNMENT OF SENEGAL REQUESTING EX
GRATIA PAYMENTS TO ACCIDENT VICTIM

REF: STATE 261345

1. AS SUGGESTED BY DEPT IN PARA 8 REFTTEL, I DISCUSSED
SUBJECT CASE IN SOME DETAIL WITH SENEGALESE AMBASSADOR
COULBARY JUST PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM DAKAR.
COULBARY ATTRIBUTED ADMITTEDLY SLOW PROGRESS ON RESOLVING
PROBLEM TO HIS FREQUENT AND EXTENDED ABSENCES FROM
WASHINGTON. COULBARY SAID HE HAD FELT THERE WAS SOME MERIT
IN ALLOWING EMOTIONS TO CALM SO MATTER COULD BE DISCUSSED
DISPASSIONATELY. NONETHELESS HE ADMITTED NECESSITY THAT
MATTER BE MOVE FORWARD NOW AND HE THEREFORE WISHED TO
BE IN TOUCH WITH DEPT TO OBTAIN LATEST INFORMATION AND
GUIDANCE.

2. COULBARY SAID HE AHD ALREADY GIVEN FAMILY OF DECEASED
"CERTAIN SUM" (WHICH I UNDERSTOOD HIM TO SAY WAS \$1,500)
AT TIME OF FUNERAL. ACCORDING TO COULBARY, HIS
EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS
FROM DECEASED'S RELATIVES.

3. COULBARY HAD REALIZED THAT USG MIGHT WISH APPROACH
GOS THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN DAKAR. HE SAID HE HAD
DISCUSSED CASE WITH SECRETARY GENERAL OF FONMINISTRY
FRANCOIS BOB BUT HAD NOT MADE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS.

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COULBARY SUGGESTED THAT WE FOLLOW UP WITH NOTE USING

MEASURED LANGUAGE AND GIVE GOS MANEUVERING ROOM.

4. I DESCRIBED ESSENCE OF NOTE CONTAINED REFTEL.
JUDGING FROM COULBARY' COMMENTS AND OUR OWN JUDGEMENT
OF GOS PERSONALITIES WITH WHOM WE EXPECT TO BE DEALING,
I RECOMMEND DELETION OF SECOND SENTANCE OF PARA 4.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.
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